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147. * **MR. VARKALA K. MADHAVAN** : Will the Government be pleased to state the terms of their agreement with the proprietors of the Aluminium Factory at Alwaye?

MR. K. P. PADMANABHA MENON : A * copy of the summary of the terms of Agreement is placed on the table.

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148. * **MR. K. P. KOCHUKORA THARAKAN** (*Kunnatnad* cum *Parur*) : Will the Government be pleased :

(*a*) to state whether they have entered into any agreement with the proprietors of the Aluminium Factory at Alwaye, and if so, to lay on the table a statement detailing the terms thereof, or a copy of the agreement itself ; and

(*b*) to state the rate per unit at which electric current is being sold to the said company ?

MR. K. P. PADMANABHA MENON : (*a*) Yes. A *summary of the terms of the agreement is laid on the table.

(*b*) 1. for the first supply of 4500 K. W. of firm power, the rate shall be Bh. Rs. 70 (Seventy) per Kilowatt of demand per year.

2. The rate for the 3000 K. W. of firm power in excess of the first 4500 K. W. shall be Bh. Rs. 72-8 per Kilowatt of demand per year.

3. The rate for the full supply of 14,000 K. W. of firm power, plus or minus 5%, shall be Bh. Rs. 70 (Seventy) per Kilowatt of demand per year in respect of the first 4500 K. W., Bh. Rs. 72-8 per Kilowatt of demand per year for the next 3000 K. W., and Bh. Rs. 75 per Kilowatt of demand per year in respect of the balance.

4. The rate for 1000 K. W. of seasonal power and the rate for seasonal power up to a total of 2500 K. W. shall be Bh. Rs. 6 per Kilowatt of demand per month.

5. If at any time the Government and the Company agree to deliver and purchase respectively any amount of power in excess of the contract amount, the Company shall pay for such excess power at the rate of Bh. Rs. 75 per Kilowatt per year.

6. The minimum monthly payment for the 4,00 K. W. of firm power shall be Bh. Rs. 21,000 per month. On the delivery by Government of 7500 K. W. of firm power the minimum monthly payment shall be increased to Bh. Rs. 35,000 per month. On the delivery of 14,000 K. W. of firm power, plus or minus 5% the minimum monthly payment shall be increased to Bh. Rs. 68,000 per month.

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149. * **MR. A. K. KUMARAN VAIDYAN** : Will the Government be pleased to state whether they have entered into any agreement with the management of the Aluminium Factory at Alwaye regarding the employment of Travancoreans, in the factory and if so, the terms of the agreement ?

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Vide **Answer to Questions No. 147. and No. 148.**

An agreement has recently been concluded between the Government and the Aluminium Production Co., of India Ltd., Calcutta, whereby the latter has contracted for the purchase of all the power required for the smelting and production of aluminium near Alwaye from the P. H. E. System. The Company have accordingly started the construction of their Factory and they hope to complete their works to begin operation from January next. In the first instance, they will be purchasing 4500 K. W. of firm power to be supplemented by such blocks of seasonal power as Government can arrange to supply. This arrangement will continue until Government are ready to supply their full demand of 14,000 K. W. of firm power not later than January 1946. The Company will guarantee a minimum payment of Rs. 21,000 per month in the early stages when they take only 4,500 K. W. and this minimum payment will be enhanced to Rs. 68,000 per month when the full block of 14,000 K. W. is made available. In the normal course of operation the revenue that Government will derive from the sale power will in the early stages be Rs. 3·15 lakhs per annum which does not include the cost of the seasonal power that may be supplied from time to time. This revenue is expected to go up to Rs. 5·325 lakhs per annum by January 1945, when the Company will be taking a supply of 7,500 K. W. of firm power and reach Rs. 10·2 lakhs per annum by January 1946, when the full block of 14,000 K. W. will be supplied.

The present effective capacity of the Pallivasal Generating Station is only 9,000 K. W. and will just suffice to cater for the initial requirements of the Aluminium Company, since a substantial portion of the power available there has to be reserved for the existing agricultural and industrial requirements. It is therefore proposed to carry out immediately further extensions of the Project so as to provide for the generation of an additional 22,500 K. W. and for duplicating the transmission system to the plains. The works in connection with these are being taken in hand and it is expected that they will be completed within the next four years, so as to meet the additional requirements of the Aluminium Company, besides that required for the supply to Peermade, Trivandrum and further south and also for the various industries that are expected to be inaugurated in the very near future. When these works are completed, the total effective capacity at Pallivasal will be 31,500 K. W. or 42,000 H. P.

Huzur Cutcherry,
Trivandrum, 5th July 1941.

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